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79th LEI DAY CELEBRATION HAWAIIAN LEI CONTEST YOUTH LEI CONTEST RULES

Sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation Monday, May 1, 2006 – Queen Kapi'olani Park

THEME <u>Nā Lei Mālamalama o Nā Kai 'Ewalu</u> The Illuminating Lei of the Eight Seas

The traditional phrase "Nā Kai 'Ewalu," is a Hawaiian reference describing how the same body of water that separates the islands of Hawai'i also binds the islands together.

This year's Lei Day Celebration theme, "Nā Lei Mālamalama o Nā Kai 'Ewalu" pays tribute to the lei material and colors that have become synonymous with each of the eight major islands of Hawai'i as well as portray their relationship to each other.

The composer's/lei makers' artistry and skill with mea ulu (plants) will be challenged to showcase the uniqueness and beauty of each island.

Mai ka hikina a ka lā i Kumukahi A ka welona o ka lā i Lehua.

From the sunrise at Kumukahi to The fading sunlight at Lehua

From sunrise to sunset.

Kumukahi in Puna, Hawai'i, was called the land of the sunrise and Lehua, the land of the sunset.

This saying also refers to a life span – from birth to death.

'Ōlelo No'eau #2058 Mary Kawena Pukui (Bishop Museum Press, 1983) Our Nā Lei Mālamalama o Nā Kai 'Ewalu "voyage" will meander through the uniqueness and beauty of each island, from the dawn at Kumukahi to dusk at Lehua.

RULES

- Any individual may enter an unlimited number of lei. All lei must be made entirely by 1. the contestant.
- 2. Age determination is based on the lei maker's age on May 1, 2006.

<u>CLASS</u>	A <u>GE GROUP</u>
I	8 years and under
II	9 through 12 years
III	13 through 17 years

- 3. Each lei must be accompanied by a completed official entry form, containing the signature of a parent or legal guardian, and submitted to the Lei Receiving booth at Queen Kapi'olani Park, on May 1, 2006, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Lei received after the 9:00 a.m., deadline may be displayed but will not be eligible for prizes and will not be returned to their owners.
- 4. All lei entered in the contest will not be returned. Lei will be taken to Mauna 'Ala, the Royal Mausoleum at 2261 Nu'uanu Avenue, on May 2, 2006. The public is invited to this ceremony, which begins at 9:00 a.m. The lei may be viewed before the ceremony begins. As part of the ceremony, the public participates by draping the lei on the crypts and tombs of Hawai'i's ali'i.
- 5. The Department of Parks and Recreation reserves the right to:
 - disqualify any lei that does not comply with the contest rules or division specifications.
 - b. disqualify any lei submitted in which the contestant does not meet the eligibility requirements.
 - disqualify any lei registered in the wrong division/category. c.
- 6. All decisions made by the Department of Parks and Recreation are final.
- 7. All lei must be wearable.
- All lei must be made in one (1) or a combination of any of the following methods: 8.

METHOD	DESCRIPTION
Haku:	Braiding flowers, leaves, and/or fruit in a three-strand plait of fern, lau kī
	(ti leaf), hau fiber, etc.

Hili: Braiding or weaving of a single plant material.

Humupapa: Plant materials are sewn to a foundation of dried banana fiber, lauhala,

lau kī or other suitable materials.

Kui: Plant materials are strung together through the center or side.

METHOD

DESCRIPTION

Kīpu'u: The stems of leaves are knotted together to make a chain. No cordage or

needle is used.

Wili: Plant materials are placed on a backing of lau kī, lauhala, dried banana

fiber or other suitable material and wound with fiber or thread around the

plant material and backing.

9. All lei shall be made with natural plant materials and limited to flowers, leaves, stems, roots, fruits, and seeds.

- 10. Lei made of nonnatural materials, artificially treated, or artificially colored natural materials **shall be disqualified, EXCEPT** artificial materials or treated materials, such as string, ribbon, dental floss, which may be used only to bind the lei.
- 11. Endangered plants shall not be used. Any lei containing endangered plants will be disqualified and will not be displayed. A list of endangered plants is available for review at the:

State Department of Land and Natural Resources

Forestry and Wildlife Division

1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325

Telephone: 587-0166

Website: http://www.state.hi.us/dlnr/dofaw/pubs/TEplant.html

- 12. All lei must have a 2-inch loop (for hanging) at the top; with a 2-inch tail at the bottom end (this identifies the top and bottom of the lei).
- 13. All lei entered in the contest must be a minimum of 22 inches and a maximum of 24 inches long.

14. **DIVISIONS AND AWARDS:**

Any number of lei may be entered by an individual in each class.

Class I Awards: 8 years and under

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$50.00	Blue
Second Place	\$35.00	Red
Third Place	\$25.00	White

Class II Awards: 9 through 12 years

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$50.00	Blue
Second Place	\$35.00	Red
Third Place	\$25.00	White

Class III Awards: 13 through 17 years

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$50.00	Blue

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
Second Place	\$35.00	Red
Third Place	\$25.00	White

- 15. **AWARDING OF PRIZES** Winners will receive their check and ribbon awards through the mail, **no earlier than May 31, 2006.** Contestant's social security number is required in order to receive monetary awards.
- 16. All lei will be on display to the public on May 1, 2006 from 1:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m., at the Queen Kapi'olani Park (between the bandstand and Waikīkī Shell).
- 17. For more information about the contest, please contact Mr. Todd Hiranaga of the Department of Parks and Recreation at 973-7250.



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